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SECRET AGENT NICK FURY, AFTER LEAVING HIS POST AS LEADER OF THE ESPIONAGE AGENCY KNOWN AS S.H.I.E.L.D., WENT UNDERGROUND AND UNCOVERD EVIDENCE OF A SECRET INVASION CARRIED OUT BY THE SHAPE-SHIFTING SKRULLS. KNOWING THAT MANY ACTIVE HEROES MAY HAVE BEEN COMPROMISED, HE GATHERED A NEW TEAM OF "CATEPILLARS"—YOUNG, UNTESTED SUPERHUMANS, WHOSE EXISTENCE WAS KNOWN TO FURY ALONE.

THIS TEAM OF SECRET WARRIORS—WHO ARE ALL THE OFFSPRING OF OR WERE RAISED BY KNOWN SUPERHUMANS—INCLUDE QUAKE (DAUGHTER OF MR. HYDE), DRUID (SON OF DR. DRUID), SLINGSHOT (DAUGHTER OF THE GRIFFIN), HELLFIRE (GRANDSON OF THE PHANTOM RIDER), STONEWALL (SON OF THE ABSORBING MAN), EDEN FESI (TRAINED BY GATEWAY), AND PHOBOS (SON OF ARES, THE GOD OF WAR).

MONTHS AGO, NORMAN OSBORN DISSOLVED S.H.I.E.L.D. AND REPLACED IT WITH H.A.M.M.E.R. OPERATING UNDER THE ALIAS OF IRON PATRIOT, OSBORN FABRICATED AN EVENT REMINISCENT OF THE STAMFORD TRAGEDY THAT LED TO THE CIVIL WAR, THIS TIME LAYING SIEGE TO ASGARD. DURING THE BATTLE, THE SENTRY KILLED ARES. NOW PHOBOS MUST AVENGE HIS FALLEN FATHER, BEGGING THE QUESTION: WILL ANY SURVIVE HIS VENGEANCE?

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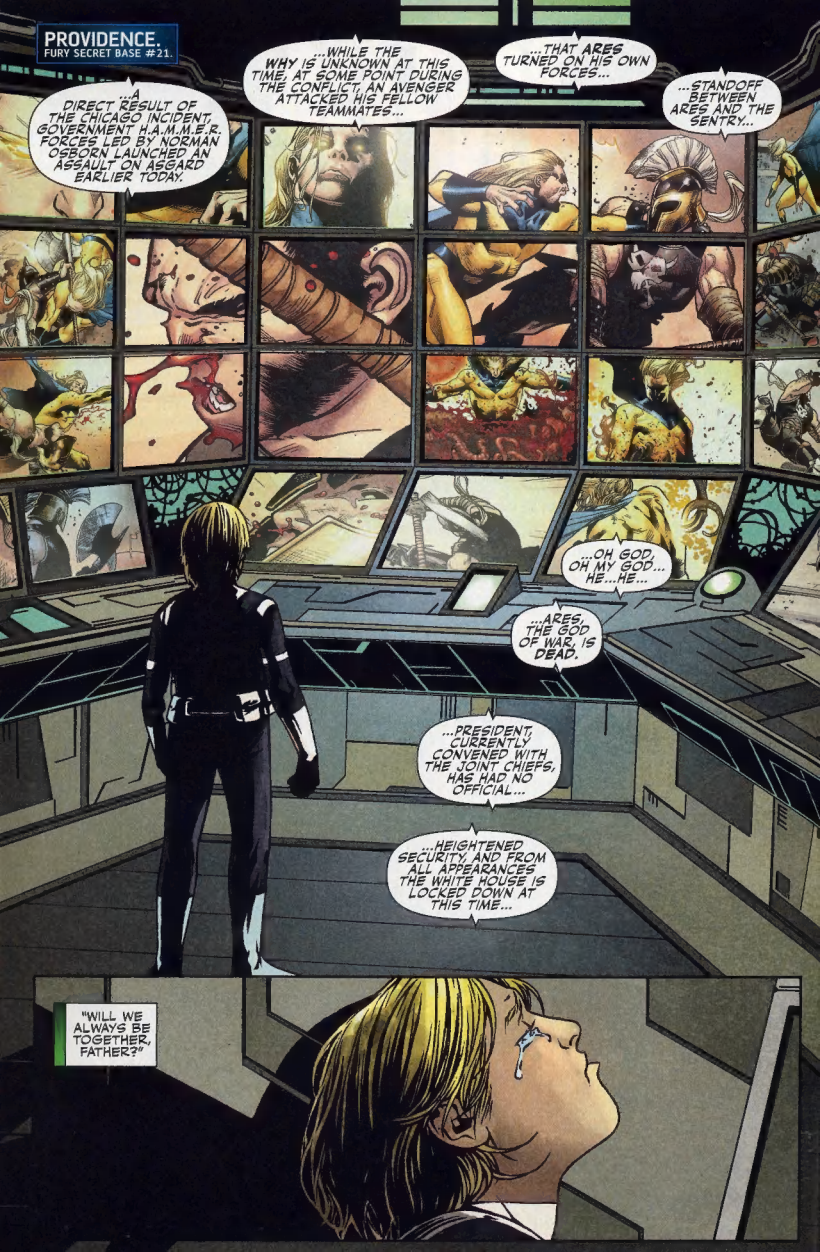
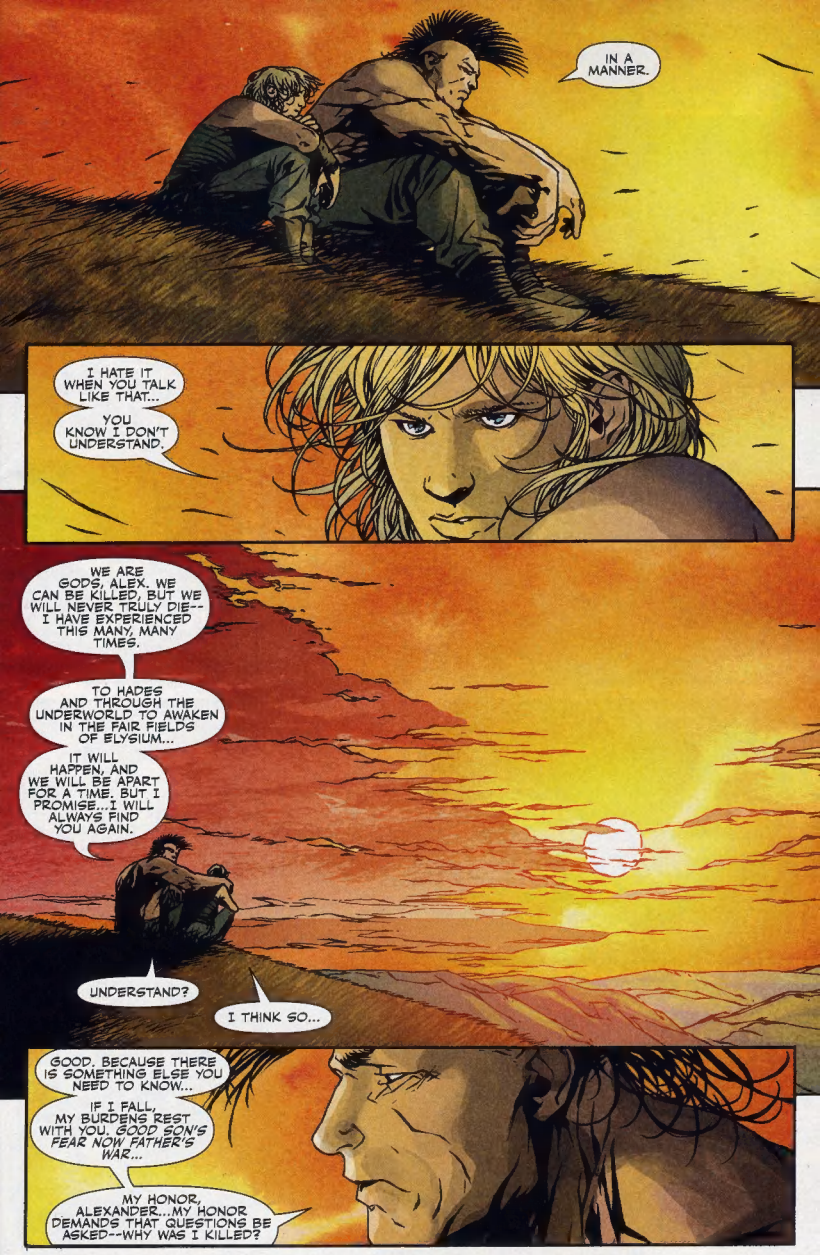
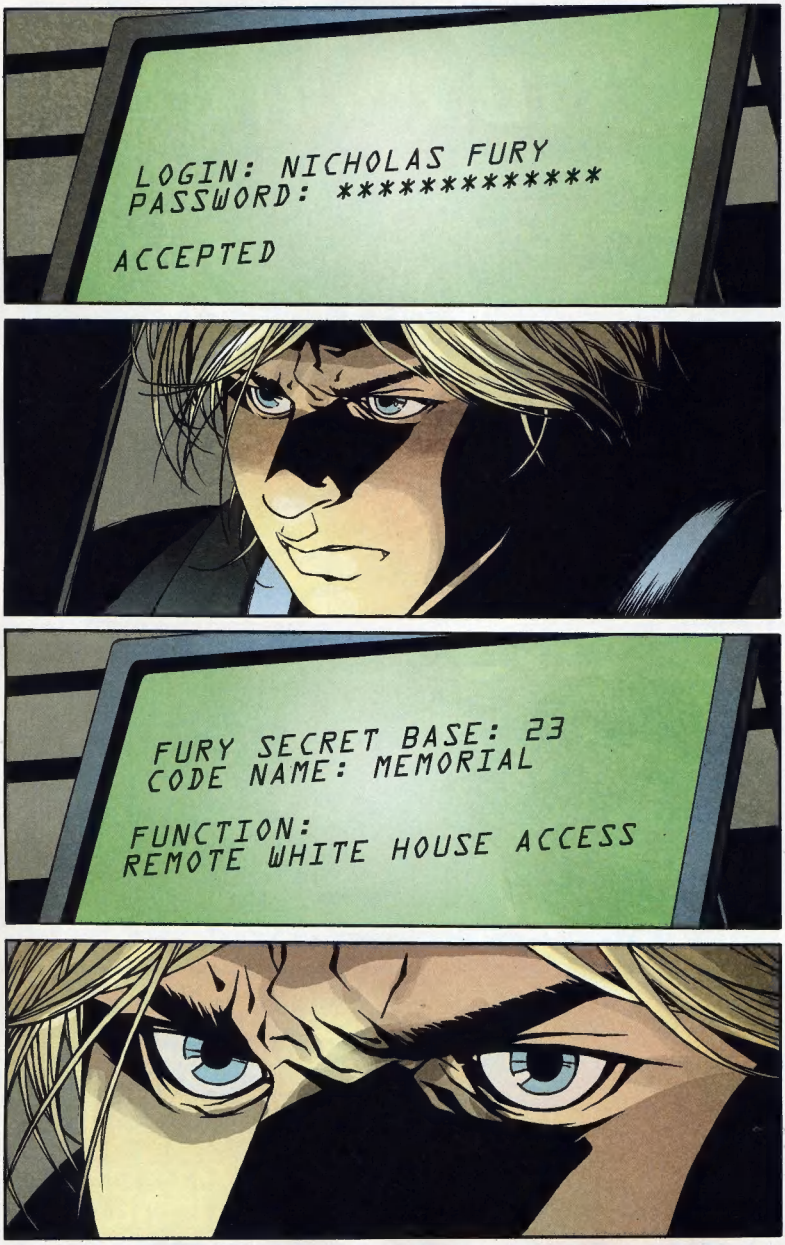

PROVIDENCE.
FURY SECRET BASE #21.
...A DIRECT RESULT OF THE CHICAGO INCIDENT, GOVERNMENT H.A.M.M.E.R. FORCES LED BY NORMAN OSBORN LAUNCHED AN ASSAULT ON ASGARD EARLIER TODAY.
...WHILE THE WHY IS UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME, AT SOME POINT DURING THE CONFLICT, AN AVENGER ATTACKED HIS FELLOW TEAMMATES...
...THAT ARES TURNED ON HIS OWN FORCES...
...STANDOFF BETWEEN ARES AND THE SENTRY...
...OH GOD, OH MY GOD... HE...HE...
...ARES, THE GOD OF WAR, IS DEAD.
...PRESIDENT, CURRENTLY CONVENED WITH THE JOINT CHIEFS, HAS HAD NO OFFICIAL...
...HEIGHTENED SECURITY, AND FROM ALL APPEARANCES THE WHITE HOUSE IS LOCKED DOWN AT THIS TIME...
"WILL WE ALWAYS BE TOGETHER, FATHER?"


IN A MANNER.
I HATE IT WHEN YOU TALK LIKE THAT...
YOU KNOW I DON'T UNDERSTAND.
WE ARE GODS, ALEX. WE CAN BE KILLED, BUT WE WILL NEVER TRULY DIE--I HAVE EXPERIENCED THIS MANY, MANY TIMES.
TO HADES AND THROUGH THE UNDERWORLD TO AWAKEN IN THE FAIR FIELDS OF ELYSIUM...
IT WILL HAPPEN, AND WE WILL BE APART FOR A TIME. BUT I PROMISE...I WILL ALWAYS FIND YOU AGAIN.
UNDERSTAND?
I THINK SO...
GOOD. BECAUSE THERE IS SOMETHING ELSE YOU NEED TO KNOW...
IF I FALL, MY BURDENS REST WITH YOU. GOOD SON'S FEAR NOW FATHER'S WAR...
MY HONOR, ALEXANDER...MY HONOR DEMANDS THAT QUESTIONS BE ASKED--WHY WAS I KILLED?

"AND WHAT WOULD ARES, GOD OF WAR, DO WITH THAT ANSWER?"
NICK FURY
TAP TAP TAP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FURY SECRET BASE: 23
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REMOTE WHITE HOUSE ACCESS

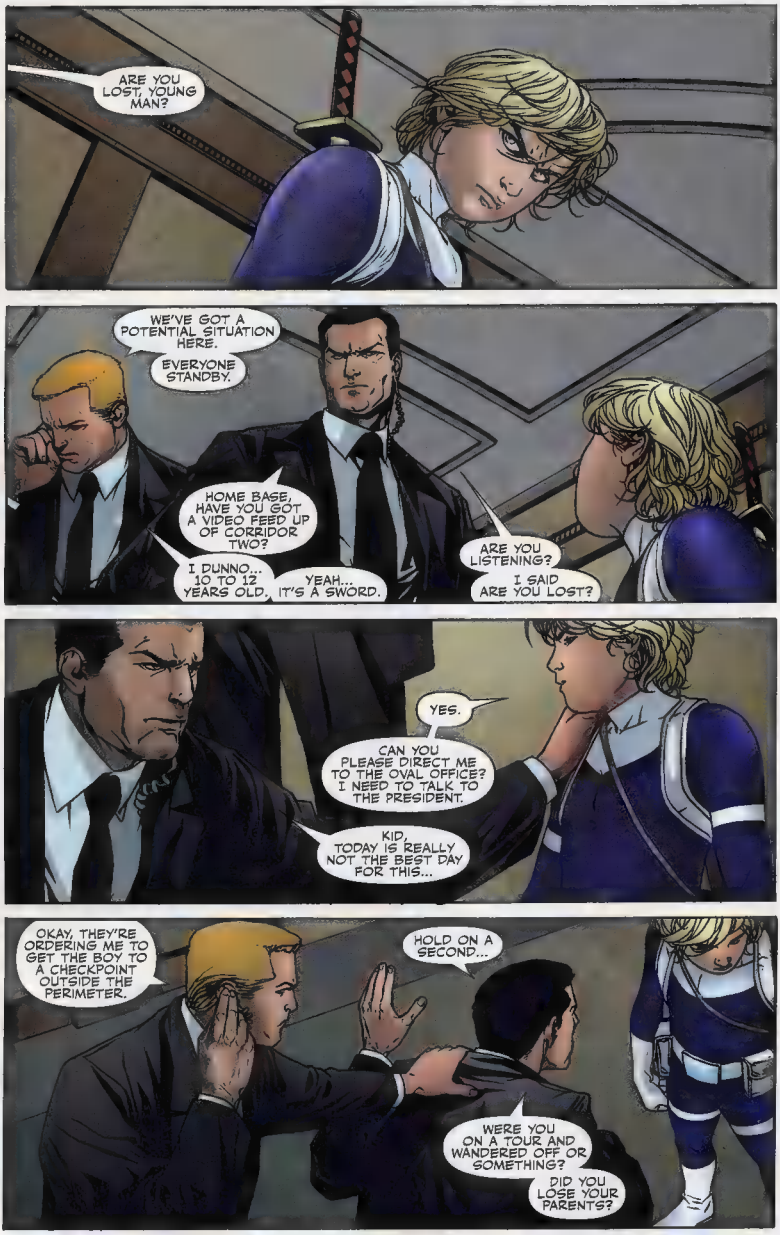
4 HOURS AGO.
PRE-ASGARD ASSAULT.
DAISY, DID YOU MAKE SURE THE VISUALIZER IS SWITCHED OFF ON THE SECOND HEADSET?
IT'S DONE.
NICK!
LET'S GO... WE'RE LEAVING IN FIVE.
ONE SECOND.

WHAT ARE YOU UP TO, NICK?
GUIDED MEDITATION, STEVE...
WHAT?
MISDIRECTION.
TOTAL ENLIGHTENMENT...
JUST SLIP IT ON AND WATCH.
ASGARD, THAT MOMENT.
HEAVY ACTIVITY ON THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE CITY...
MAKE SURE WE FULLY CONTAIN THE...
INCOMING MESSAGE
GO AHEAD.
THAT SAYING, OSBORN... DON'T BITE OFF MORE THAN YOU CAN CHEW...*

I ALWAYS FIGURED IT WAS 'CAUSE THERE MIGHT BE SOMEBODY OUT THERE WHO'D GET A KICK OUTTA WATCHIN' YOU CHOKE ON IT.
HOW YOU DOIN', WILD MAN?
FURY.
NORMAN.
WHAT WOULD YOU SAY IF I TOLD YOU I WAS COMIN' TO GET YOU... RIGHT NOW.
YOU THINK YOU CAN GET IN HERE?
LAST INTEL I RECEIVED SAID YOU WERE HALFWAY AROUND THE WORLD UP TO YOUR NECK IN HYDRA.
SO...NICE TRY. BUT KNOW THAT WHEN I DO SEE YOU AGAIN, I'M GOING TO RIP OUT YOUR SPINE SO I'LL HAVE SOMETHING TO MOUNT YOUR HEAD ON.
UH-HUH.
ENJOY WHAT TIME YOU'VE GOT LEFT, NORMAN... ASGARD'S THE LAST STOP ON THE CRAZY TRAIN.
I'LL BE RIGHT HERE, WAITING...
DO YOUR WORST.

WELL?
YOU HEARD THE MAN...IT WOULD BE RUDE NOT TO INDULGE HIM.

THE WHITE HOUSE.
NOW.
PSSSSHHHH
=HRMP.=


ARE YOU LOST, YOUNG MAN?
WE'VE GOT A POTENTIAL SITUATION HERE.
EVERYONE STANDBY.
HOME BASE, HAVE YOU GOT A VIDEO FEED UP OF CORRIDOR TWO?
I DUNNO.. 10 TO 12 YEARS OLD.
YEAH... IT'S A SWORD.
ARE YOU LISTENING?
I SAID ARE YOU LOST?
YES.
CAN YOU PLEASE DIRECT ME TO THE OVAL OFFICE? I NEED TO TALK TO THE PRESIDENT.
KID, TODAY IS REALLY NOT THE BEST DAY FOR THIS...
OKAY, THEY'RE ORDERING ME TO GET THE BOY TO A CHECKPOINT OUTSIDE THE PERIMETER.
HOLD ON A SECOND...
WERE YOU ON A TOUR AND WANDERED OFF OR SOMETHING?
DID YOU LOSE YOUR PARENTS?

CH-CHUNK
ARGGH
OH, GOD... LOCK THE BUILDING DOWN!
LOCK IT DOWN!

ASGARD.

THUNK
CAP! YOU NEED ANY HELP?
ABSOLUTELY NOT.
WHAM
OKAY.. WELL, I'M GONNA TAKE A BREAK.
YOU WANT ANY OF THIS?
I'M GOOD.
THOMM

SUIT YOURSELF.
SO, LISTEN...I'VE BEEN MEANING TO ASK YOU SOMETHING...
ME AND DUM DUM AND THE REST OF THE GUYS HAVE THIS SEMI-ANNUAL GET-TOGETHER OF THE HOWLIN' COMMANDOS THAT MADE IT THROUGH WWII...
AND I WAS WONDERIN' IF YOU'D LIKE TO COME? THE BOYS WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU.
SERIOUSLY?
ABSOLUTELY.
THAT SOUNDS GREAT, NICK. OF COURSE I'LL COME...
WHUMP
I'M HONORED YOU ASKED.
HEY, CAP...
I'M GLAD YOU'RE BACK.
IT'S GOOD TO BE BACK.
OKAY... LET'S TURN THIS UP A NOTCH.

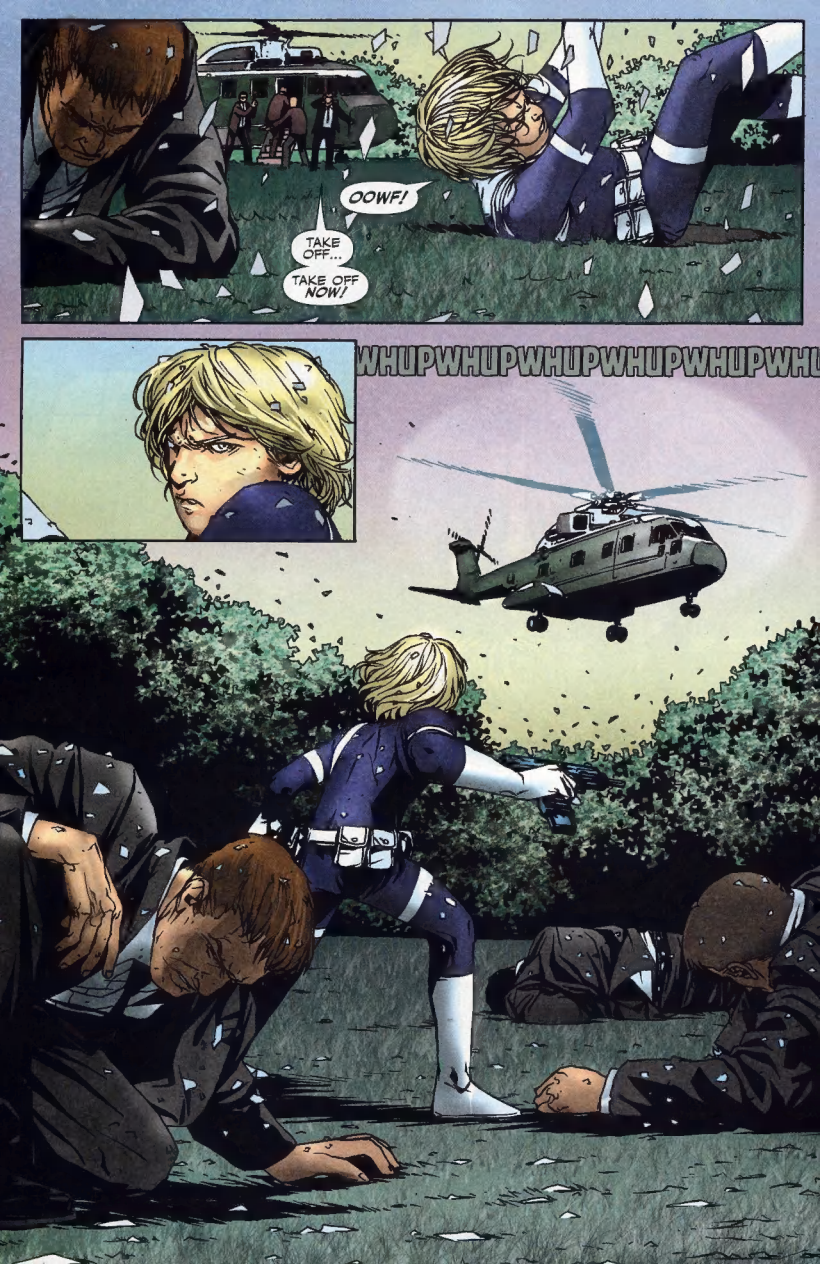
THE WHITE HOUSE.
WHUMP

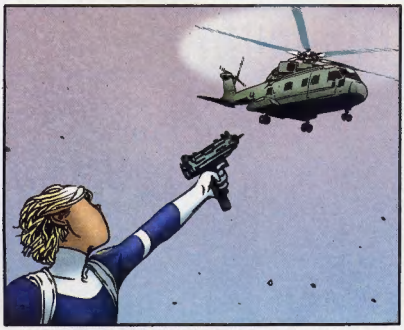
WE CAN'T STOP HIM.
YOU NEED TO EVACUATE THE PRESIDENT.
YOU'LL HAVE BACK UP TO YOUR POSITION IN FIVE SECONDS.
HOLD HIM THERE LONG ENOUGH FOR US TO GET RENEGADE TO MARINE ONE.
COPY?
WHOOF!
WHAM

THERE HE IS!
WAIT UNTIL HE GETS CLEAR!
CRAP.
FWOOOOOSSHH

BA-BBOOOM
YOUNG MAN, I'D REALLY LIKE FOR THIS DAY TO END WITHOUT US HAVING TO SHOOT A KID.
BUT WE WILL DO THAT IF WE HAVE TO.
LET ME LAY IT OUT FOR YOU...
YOU CAUGHT US ALL BY SURPRISE EARLIER, BUT NOW THERE'S MORE OF US AND WE'RE HEAVILY ARMED.
YOU NEED TO SURRENDER.
BECAUSE IF YOU KEEP THIS UP, YOU'RE GOING TO END UP DEAD.
FOR GOD'S SAKE, SON--WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU THINKING...
ALL YOU'VE GOT IS A SWORD.
UHHHH.

CRASH


OOWF!
TAKE OFF...
TAKE OFF NOW!
WHUPWHUPWHUPWHUPWHUPWHU



BANG.

IT'S OVER, SON.
NO. I CAME TO DELIVER A MESSAGE.
PLEASE, JUST PUT THE GUN DOWN...
YOU KNOW, I THOUGHT YOU SECRET SERVICE GUYS WERE SUPPOSED TO BE TOUGH.
NOT SO MUCH...

...BUT AT LEAST YOU CAN TAKE A BULLET WITH THE BEST OF THEM.

Dear Mortal Head of State,
I came here today to explain to you the true and total consequences of your actions over the last several months. I'm guessing after today that would be unnecessary.
It's not every day that a human finds himself responsible for the death of a god and then on that very same day escapes facing another.
Surely, fortune favors you and the men I spared. Enjoy it.
But before you wash your hands of my father's blood, I would encourage you to reflect on what brought us to this point:
You sacrificed honor for expediency. You traded intent for quick action. You were wrong...and we all suffered for it.
So, do better now, mortal man...for if not I, then surely some god somewhere will some day find you wanting.
It would be a shame to wager your good fortune with folly.
The God of Fear.
Son of War.
END.

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CHECKLIST

DECEMBER
- ☑ SIEGE: THE CABAL
- ☑ AVENGERS: THE INITIATIVE #31
- ☑ ORIGINS OF SIEGE

JANUARY
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FEBRUARY
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- ☑ DARK WOLVERINE #83
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- ☑ THUNDERBOLTS #141

MARCH
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- ☐ SIEGE: LOKI
- ☐ SIEGE: SECRET WARRIORS
- ☐ SIEGE: SPIDER-MAN
- ☐ SIEGE: YOUNG AVENGERS
- ☐ THOR #609
- ☐ THUNDERBOLTS #143

MAY
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- ☐ AVENGERS: THE INITIATIVE #35
- ☐ DARK AVENGERS #16
- ☐ FALLEN (not final title)
- ☐ SIEGE: EMBEDDED #4

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